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**Memorandum**

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Subject: Categorical Exclusion (C) Determination  
HSIP 52-1(46)34  
SF 129-ADV Flasher N Bigfork  
UPN 8072000



Environmental Services has reviewed the proposed project and concluded that it will not involve unusual circumstances as described under 23 CFR 771.117(b). As a result, the project qualifies as a Categorical Exclusion under the provisions of 23 CFR 771.117(c), part (8) which describes installation of fencing, sign, pavement markings, small passenger shelters, traffic signals, and railroad warning devices where no substantial land acquisition or traffic disruption will occur.

The proposed project is to provide upgraded advance flashers and warning signs at the intersection of MT 35 and MT 83 north of Bigfork on MT 35 between RP 33.5 and RP 34.0. The attached Preliminary Field Review Report/Scope of Work Report provides a location map and a more complete project description. This proposed action also qualifies as a Categorical Exclusion under the provisions of ARM 18.2.261 (Sections 75-1-103 and 75-1-201, M.C.A.).

In accordance with the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) letter of March 29, 1999, please notify FHWA that the proposed action is being processed in accordance with 23 CFR 771.117(c).

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